

上 Limoux

Abbotts & Delaunay's Clouds and Winds collection features wines made with grapes that are selected from old Languedoc's vines grown in vineyards at high altitudes in a purposely small number of appellations and produced in very limited quantities.

GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay.

SOIL The grapes for this wine come from three terroirs: the upper Aude valley which gives the

wine its mineral notes and lovely structure, the Autan terroir which lends floral aromas and notes of dried fruit and a Mediterranean-influenced terroir which brings notes of ripe fruit.

VINIFICATION The grapes are handpicked and the whole grapes are pressed. The juice is coldsettled for 12

hours. The must is racked off into barrels for alcoholic and malolactic fermentation which is

70% completed in order to preserve a touch of vivacity.

AGEING The wine is aged on the natural lees in new oak barrels for eight months (30% new oak). A small

proportion is stirred regularly (bâtonnage) over a two-month period.

TASTING NOTES Green-gold in colour with silvery grey highlights.

A fine, subtle, fruity nose (apricot, citrus, preserved lemon) with white flower aromas (nettle,

jasmine, syringa). Notes of meringue and marzipan.

Lovely, refreshing, long, mineral structure. Very well-balanced. This wine boasts remarkable

length and lovely freshness finishing off on a note of lemon tart.

WINE & FOOD Serve at 10°-12°C with fish cooked in sauce, seafood, creamed mushrooms, cheese tart, roasted

poultry and goat's cheeses.

